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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Box Patent Application Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a request for filing a [] continuation [X] divisional [] continuation-in-part application under **37 CFR 1.53(b)**, of pending prior application serial no. 08/774,662, filed on December 30, 1996 for <u>The Use of Calcium Carbonate in an Acidic Aqueous Media</u> for Donald Kendall Drummond

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- 1. x A a complete and true copy of the prior application, including the declaration as originally filed
- 2. Other:
- 3. | x | The filing fee is calculated below:

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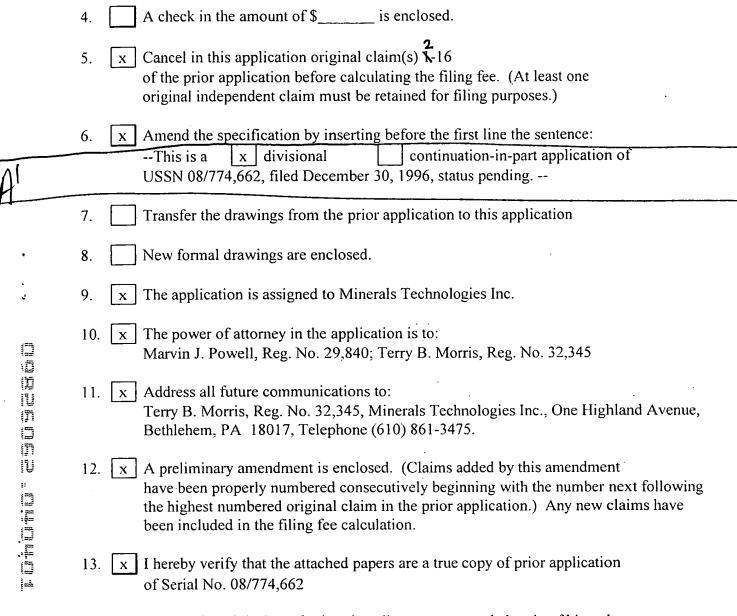
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- 1. A complete original of the application, 29 total pages
- 2. Drawings (11 total pages)
- 3. New assignment and declaration
- 4. Other:
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For	Number Filed		Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
Total Claims	9	- 20 =	0	\$18.00	0.00
Independent Claims	2	- 3 =	0	\$78.00	0.00
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				Basic Fee	690.00
				TOTAL	690.00

Reply, requiring a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 for its timely submission, as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time and as an authorization to charge all required fees under § 1.17 on Applicant's Deposit Account No.13-3639. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.



The undersigned declares further that all statements made herein of his or her own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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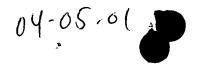
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